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MILITARY REPORT

- * OUR REVOLUTIONARIES LAUNCH EIGHTEEN ATTACKS IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE REGION DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF FEBRUARY.
- * OUR ARTILLERY IMPOSE SEIGE ON ENEMY AIRPORT IN NORTH SARFEET AND FIGHTER PLANES TRY TO BREAK SEIGE
- * SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS BY OUR FORCES AT COASTAL SAILALA PLAIN AND EXPLOSION OF ANTI-PERSONNEL MINE NETWORK ON ENEMY FORCES IN EAST.
- * ENEMY HEAVY ARTILLERY RETALIATE FROM PEACEFUL CITIZENS.

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MILITARY REPORT ISSUED BY
FORCES OF THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY DHOFAR REGION
FROM MILITARY COMMUNIQUE NO. 76 to 92/73

The forces of the People's Liberation Army and People's Militia launched during the second week of February 28 operations and attacks on the enemy camps and centres in different areas of the Southern Region of Oman (Dhofar) eighteen of which were on enemy positions in North Sarfeet in the Western Region in which different weapons were used (mortars, medium machine-guns and rocket launchers). The artillery of our revolutionaries throughout the week were imposing a siege on the enemy airport in these positions which is used for the enemy supply planes. Our revolutionaries shell the airport whenever there is a bid for landing. This compelled the enemy to seek the help of fighter planes to open the siege but in vain the fighter planes were intercepted by our artillery at Sallalah plains. Our revolutionaries also planted a mine on the road linking between Om al-Fuwareq infantry base and al-Fog camp. The mine led to the destruction of a Bedford vehicle. In the East in particular the militants waged a number of successful battles with the enemy forces. At the same time the enemy artillery shelled heavily the villages of citizens and places of their gatherings. The following is a comprehensive report on these operations:-

WESTERN REGION:

Since the 10th of February upto 16th February, our revolutionaries launched eighteen successful attack on the enemy positions in North Sarfeet. On 10th February our forces shelled the enemy positions for three times throughout the day and our artillery continued to open fire on the airport on any attempt at landing by his supply planes. This compelled the enemy to seek the help of fighter planes to break the siege but these planes were intercepted by our defences. The clash resulted in one of the planes being directly hit and later escaped ablaze.

Our casualties were the injury of two of our comrades slightly.

On 11th February, the day which coincided with Martyrs Day in the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, our forces launched three attacks on these positions. The attacks were named after the martyrs of the revolution of 14th October. During these attacks our forces used all weapons. The enemy suffered heavy losses in life and equipment. On 14th October our forces launched four attacks in which artillery was used to hit the enemy positions. These attacks were named after Martyr Ahmed Ali Assaita. The attack resulted in the destruction of a number of enemy positions and fire continued to rage in them for four hours. In addition to the other attacks, the sniping group continued throughout the week to snipe the enemy members. The snipers killed and injured a number of enemy individuals.

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BAHRAIN:

HIGH PRICES, AND THE INTEREST OF GOVERNMENT AND MERCHANTS

A report published by "5th March" bulletin, organ of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf, Bahrain Region, in its third issue of January, 1973, stated that "under the curtain of complete silence spread by the authority, prices soar up again in a frightening manner that it is impossible for the poor citizen to obtain essential stuff for daily life because of the reduction of salaries. Working masses find double oppression from the companies which enslave the work, and from the commercial authority.

One of the local politicians in Bahrain, who represents the government, cannot of course, raise his voice to link between the daily fact lived by the citizen and between what the ruling authority is planning in the Constituent Council. He cannot say that the economic interests of the merchants are not separated from the market or the council.

HELSINKI:

WORLD PEACE COUNCIL URGES UNITED NATIONS TO INTERFERE
TO SAVE THE LIVES OF DETAINEES IN MUSCAT AND ABUDHABI

The World Peace Council sent the following message to the Chairman of the current session of the International Security Council and the U.N. Secretary General: "The World Peace Council expresses resentment over the wishful arrests and extensive chases in the Sultanate of Oman and the Federation of Amirates.

"More than 300 citizens have been arrested and are given a very brutal treatment. We urge the United Nations to interfere to save their lives and to realise their release and ensure respect of the fundamental human rights."

SOUTHERN REGION OF OMAN "DHOFAH"

The Radio of the puppet authority in Sallalah admitted the injury of 28 enemy members including three British, in a battle which took place between the forces of the People's Liberation Army and the enemy forces at Kudbeet in the north of the Western Region on 6th February after the attempt made by the enemy forces to make urgent air landings and infiltration from the north direction to station at Kudbeet. Our forces issued a military communique bearing the number 68 saying that the forces of the liberation army cordoned the enemy forces at Kudbeet on the morning of the following day after enemy landings. Hot battles ensued during which our forces managed to ransack the enemy hideouts and clear them.

The enemy forces escaped leaving behind a large number of military equipment, foodstuffs and tools for digging trenches.

The enemy admitted 28 injuries.

BAHRAIN:DEMOCRACY OF INTELLIGENCE

At a time in which the authority in Bahrain is claiming democracy we find that daily acts are being suffered by the people without these acts slightly moving the deputies of the people.

Last month (January) a number of youth tried to return to their country, Bahrain, from abroad, but they were prevented by the intelligence from doing so after their arrival at Bahrain airport and sent them back without any legal justification for that. These youth are:-

- 1) Mohammad Assayed Youssef,
- 2) Ibrahim Daito,
- 3) Dr. Abdul Rehman Khalifa and his wife doctor.

This happened in spite of the fact that there is a provision in the constitution providing that the citizen has the right to enjoy the freedom of travel and to carry a passport.

So how this provision can conform with what is being practiced by the ruling authority against the people. What is the position of the deputies who claim to represent the people in the council in front such acts.

Of course no one of them possesses the courage to discuss such acts.

BEIRUT:

JOINT ARAB FRONT OF PALESTINE REVOLUTION CONDEMNS
SUBMISSIVE PROJECTS AND CALL FOR STOPPAGE OF DEALINGS WITH
PUPPET JORDANIAN REGIME

The Joint Arab Front of the Palestine Revolution issued a statement in which it revealed the attempts taking place at present to pass American liquidatory projects, and condemned the role of Jordan in this respect. It said that the recent visit by King Hussein to Washington, was one of the significant signs on this road. The visit was preceded by King Hussein's refusal to allow the Palestinian resistance to return to Jordan. The Arab front called for stoppage of dealing with the puppet regime of Amman and stressed effective combative cohesion with the Palestine revolution and adherence to its full right to wage all forms of struggle for the sake of liberation.

REPLY MESSAGE FROM FIRST SECRETARY OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE
OF UNITED GERMAN SOCIALIST PARTY

To the Central Executive Committee of the Central Leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf: "In the name of the Central Committee of the German United Socialist Party we warmly thank you for the good greetings extended by you on the occasion of the New Year. We wish you and the People's Front success in the struggle against American and British imperialism."

Enrich Honecker,
First Secretary of Central Committee of
German United Socialist Party.

MILITARY COMMUNIQUE - Cont'd from page 1CENTRAL REGION:

In the Central Region the forces of the People's Liberation Army and People's Militia launched on 11th February (Martyrs Day in Democratic Yemen) three sniping operations which were successful on the enemy centres at Kushm in the Central Region. The following day our revolutionaries attacked the same centre with light weapons reinforced by mortars. During these operations the enemy lost many of his members and positions.

On 13th February a land-mine (anti-tank) exploded under an enemy vehicle of the Bedford type on the road between Om al-Fawareq and al-Fog camp at Sallalah Plain leading to the destruction of the vehicle with its occupants. On 14th February our artillery shelled al-Ma'amoorah centre in Sallalah Plain for half an hour. A number of enemy positions were destroyed.

EASTERN REGION:

On the same week our revolutionaries planted a network of anti-personnel mines for the enemy forces at Yur and Shurkh. The mines exploded on a group of enemy individuals. This was admitted by the authority Radio at Sallalah which said that three including a British officer were killed at Yur and Shurkh, three other shoulders injured and one British officer was killed. On the 8th of February, the forces of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia launched an attack in which different weapons were used on the enemy centres at Shurkh for four hours during which the enemy used aircraft to check off the attack. After the attack helicopters of the enemy were seen landing on the enemy positions to remove the killed and injured.

On 11th February our comrades attacked the same position with mortars and machine-guns. Two enemy positions were destroyed and a number of enemy members were injured. As a result of the successful blows by our revolutionaries on the enemy, the colonialist enemy as usual resorted to retaliate from the peaceful citizens. His heavy artillery at Kheisal centre shelled on 14th and 15th February the citizens in neighbouring areas. This resulted in the martyrdom of child Suhail Masood, the injury of female citizen Hallot and the extermination of animals. In the east of the Red Line, some enemy individuals infiltrated into the houses of citizens to torture them and break the determination and steadfastness enjoyed by these citizens in the rural areas. They beat citizen Suhail Saeed Bakoub with their rifles. He was severely beaten on the head and body. They also killed a collection of animals of the citizens without any reason. The following are the total losses of the enemy in different areas:-

- 1) Death and injury of 34 enemy members including two British officers
- 2) Fighter plane directly hit
- 3) Destruction of eighteen positions and silencing of machine-gun post
- 4) Destruction of Bedford vehicle with its occupants.

Our losses included the injury of two comrades slightly and the martyrdom of child Suhail Masood as well as the injury of female citizen Hallot Mohammad and the extermination of a number of animals of the citizens.

POLITICAL COMMENTARY

LET THE PEACE AND FREEDOM-LOVING FORCES STAND IN THE FACE
OF FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN OMAN

The conditions of the political detainees in Oman call for great anxiety by all peace and freedom-loving national and progressive forces in this world, while their lives are threatened with danger as a result of the barbaric and savage torture methods followed by the Jordanian and British intelligence.

During the past few weeks many of the international and Arab federations and organisations expressed resentment over the violation of freedoms in Oman and asked for immediate interference to save the lives of hundreds of citizens in prisons in Muscat and Abu Dhabi.

Last week, the colonialist authorities released Juma'ah Annunai after spending two years in prison without any charge and without being forwarded to trial. He revealed through the signs of torture appearing on him, the brutal methods followed by the Jordanian and British intelligence during interrogation with him and other detainees beginning from nail-pulling, hair-pulling, torture by electricity and harsh beating and ending with individual imprisonment, psychological torture and iron clads and not allowing the detainees to appoint lawyers to defend them and not to forward any of them to trial and to continue to keep them in prison for long periods. These brutal methods surpass the stages of torture followed by Saeed bin Taimour while treating prisoners as he was throwing the citizens in dreadful prisons without giving them any attention.

If it is the duty of the freedom and justice-loving forces to resent such a clear barbaric wave of violating the simplest human rights in Oman, then a progressive positive step is needed to defend the political freedoms violated by the puppet Qaboos rule.

All popular corporations in the Arab homeland and the world are required to throw their weight on the battle of freedom and justice in our homeland and to resent such brutal campaigns against our people.

If yesterday we stood in the Beirut conference to declare that the battle of liberation in Oman and the Arabian Gulf is a basic tribunal of the tribunals of the progressive Arab revolution and pointed out the nature of the dialectic link between the Palestinian revolution and the revolution in Oman and the Arabian Gulf, we ask that all friends must realise that the Jordanian executionists who violate the prestige and dignity of the Palestinian people are violating and outraging in a greater manner the prestige and dignity of the patriotic people of Oman.

If the Jordanians are exercising their traditional torture to safeguard the throne of their master in Oman, they are now exercising their ugly torture in Oman in order to establish their British masters and to show them their skill as well as to loot the wealths of the Omani people in order to consolidate the regime of Hussein and to hit the Jordanian Palestinian people.

We made it clear that the battle of freedom and democracy is a fundamental part of the battle of Arab national democratic liberation and that all progressive and national forces are required to stand as one row when freedoms are violated in any Arab country, in order to prove our ability to interpret the resolutions adopted by us and to give the people their true meaning.

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In front of a series of imperialist attacks on the Arab revolution all over the Arab homeland, we ask all national and democratic forces to rally around an actual battle arena in order to make the attacks of the imperialists in other areas as mere attacks on advanced positions defending a major standing base. We ask that the forces of liberation and Arab progress give the battle of our people in the arena of oil the attention it deserves and to interfere with all their potentialities to defend the violated rights of our people in which the monies of Zaid and Saudi Arabia play a role to deface its broadlines in many positions.

Our people, in their bitter and long struggle against British colonialism incurred thousands of martyrs and detainees and deportees and is facing today not only the crimes of the British and Jordanian intelligence but also an extensive extermination war in Dhofar. In spite of all this our people continue their patriotic struggle with steadfastness emanating from firm conviction to defend their homeland and legitimate and just rights. The lines of friends and freedom-loving people who stand by our side increase and we view them with pride and great admiration.

OMAN: BRITAIN RECRUITS MERCENARIES OF MACKAWI IN ITS AGGRESSIVE WAR IN DHOFAR

Qaboos is receiving during this month Abdel Qawi Mackawi who will propose to Qaboos opening the door of volunteers against the revolutionaries in Dhofar and Aden, after America and Saudi Arabia failed to push the rightists to fight, a thing that was expected by puppet Mackawi and regarded as an easy opportunity to push forward the mercenaries led by him to a war of attrition against the progressive regime in Democratic Yemen and after the mercenaries of Mackawi faced throughout the past years a firm base in Democratic Yemen against which all their conspiracies are smashed. America found a new front for the mercenaries to launch a war against our masses in Dhofar and to face the escalating tide of the revolution in Oman.

These mercenaries, who devoted themselves for the service of America and its conspiratorial plans against the Arab people, will find that mercenariness will cost high and as the conspiracies of America and Saudi Arabia have been smashed against the rock of steadfastness of our masses in Democratic Yemen, these conspiracies of the mercenaries will also be smashed against the rock of steadfastness of our masses in Oman. We are awaiting the mercenaries of Mackawi.

TEL AVIV:

OMANI ISLANDS AND OIL TO ISRAEL

The Israeli magazine "Ha Alham" revealed the close relations linking between the Shah-in-Shah throne and the Israeli aggressors. The magazine admitted in its issue of 2nd February that reinforcement of the transportation operation through the Arabian Gulf the Israeli naval presence in the southern entrance of the Red Sea has been reinforced. It also reinforced cooperation between the Israeli and Iranian navy for protecting the tankers while passing the Gulf.

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It said that pieces of the Iranian navy accompany oil tankers to Bilath and that the occupation of Omani islands ensured and secured continuation of Iranian oil to Bilath.

Such confessions come after the increase of Iranian-Saudi plotting against the area and following the Iranian-Qaboos military agreement and the handing over of al-Ghanam island to the Shah to affirm the link between the Arab and Iranian reactionaries with the Israeli presence and the great fears showed by the Israeli militarism as a result of the increase of the revolutionary influence in Oman.

KUWAIT

OIL COMPANIES PAY TWO MILLIONS FOR PASSAGE OF AGREEMENTS
IN KUWAITI NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Rightist newspapers began to reveal the nature of methods followed by the oil companies to effect the passage of partnership agreement to ensure continuation of looting the oil wealths in the Arabian Peninsula.

Annahar newspaper of Beirut published a report by its correspondent in Kuwait saying that the oil companies have earmarked two million Kuwaiti dinars to make the position of the opposition lean.

It is worth recalling that the national and democratic forces in the Kuwaiti National Assembly managed to secure the attention of the public opinion in Kuwait when it revealed the conspiracies woven by imperialism of which the partnership agreement stand as a series.

The monopolistic companies use different methods including the regional and tribal feuds and the methods of bribing to sabotage the ranks of the opposition and to create fictitious conflicts for the passage of the distorted agreement.

BEIRUT:

LIBYAN DELEGATION RESENTS PRESENCE OF JORDANIAN OFFICERS
IN THE SULTANATE OF OMAN

Assiyasah newspaper of Kuwait published a report saying that the Libyan delegation which visited the Sultanate of Oman and which was headed by Major Hamed Belkacem, resented the presence of great numbers of Jordanian officers and soldiers who are taking part in the fighting against the revolution. The newspaper said that it is probable that the delegation had returned disappointed after getting acquainted with the real situation in the Sultanate. This came opposite to what was expected by the Sultanate that he would be able to hide the reality of the revolution in Oman and to bypass facts.

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QATAR

QATAR AUTHORITIES REPRESS STUDENT ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH LEAGUE AND NATIONAL UNION OF YEMEN STUDENTS RESENTS REPRESSION

Reports came that the Qatar students in Cairo have staged an attempt to establish a league. This followed many attempts by the students during the past years in Cairo and Beirut. But they were always threatened of repression by the Qatar authorities. When the Qatar students made their recent attempt, the Qatar Minister of Education directed a threat to them to cut their scholarship and to arrest them. From Aden the National Union of Yemeni Students sent a resentment message to the Council of Ministers in Qatar saying:-

"We strongly resent such terrorist exercises against the Qatar Students in the Arab Republic of Egypt. This reveals the nature of yours as puppets of colonialism and enemies of your people and their national struggles."

ADEN:

P.F.L.O..G. TO ATTEND 12th SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF AFRO-ASIAN SOLIDARITY ORGANISATION

The twelfth session of the Executive Committee of the Afro-Asian Solidarity Organisation will start in Aden on 24th February to discuss the development of the struggle of the Afro-Asian peoples against imperialism and in particular in Indo-China and the struggle of the Arab people against the Israeli and American imperialist aggression in order to liberate the occupied Arab territories and to recover the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people as well as to support the struggle of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and the Arabian Peninsula against imperialism and reaction. It will also support the struggle of the African peoples for freedom from imperialist aggression and colonial control and racial discrimination particularly in Portuguese colonies and South Africa. This session will also discuss another question. This is the reinforcement of the organisational political activity of the Afro-Asian Peoples' Solidarity Organisation.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf will take part in this session.

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REMISSION OF A REPORT TO THE NATIONAL UNION OF YEMENI STUDENTS

The National Union of Yemeni Students has received a report from the Qatar students in Cairo. The report states that the Qatar students have staged an attempt to establish a league. This followed many attempts by the students during the past years in Cairo and Beirut. But they were always threatened of repression by the Qatar authorities. When the Qatar students made their recent attempt, the Qatar Minister of Education directed a threat to them to cut their scholarship and to arrest them. From Aden the National Union of Yemeni Students sent a resentment message to the Council of Ministers in Qatar saying:-

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